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MODERNISATION OF COIR INDUSTRY
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Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has announced a scheme "Rejuvenation, Modernization and Technology Upgradation of the Coir Industry" ;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of coir units provided financial assistance under the scheme, State and Union Territory-wise; and

(d) the amount allocated and utilized under the Scheme, State and Union Territory-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a) & (b) The Government of India, Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) has launched a new Central Sector Scheme of 'Rejuvenation, Modernization & Technology Up- gradation of the Coir Industry' during March, 2008 for implementation during XI Plan with a total outlay of Rs. 243 crore involving a government grant of Rs. 99 crore, beneficiary contribution of Rs. 12 crore and a term loan of Rs. 132 crore from Banks. Under the Scheme, financial assistance is provided @ 40% of the project cost subject to a maximum of Rs. 80,000/- per spinning unit and a maximum of Rs. two lakh per tiny/household unit.

(c) & (d) During 2007-08 (3rd week of March, 2008), Government released an amount of Rs. 9 crore to the Coir Board, a statutory body under the Ministry of MSME for implementation of the Scheme. State-wise details of funds released by the Coir Board to various banks, for providing subsidy to the eligible coir units under the Scheme, are given below:

State	No.of Spinning Units	No.of Tiny/Household Units	Grant (Rs. crore)
Kerala	190	160	4.72
Tamil Nadu	140	130	3.72
Karnataka	20	10	0.36
Total	350	300	8.80